Meeting of Indo-Bangla Joint River Commission

2480. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indo-Bangla Joint River Commission meeting was held at Dhaka recently;

(b) if so, the pending river water disputes discussed in the meeting; and

(c) the details of the outcome of the meeting?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI SIS RAM OLA): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The Thirty Second Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission was held at Dhaka during 19-20th July, 1997. Both sides held discussions on the issues of mutual interest in the field of Water Resources common to both the countries. They agreed upon the immediate revival of Standing Committee and Local Level Committees to resolve issues of tying of embankments along the common rivers. Discussions also took place on review of implementation of sharing arrangements under the 1996 Indo-Bangladesh Treaty, Sharing of Teesta Waters and other common rivers, strengthening the existing cooperation in the Flood Forecasting and Warning arrangement and Ganga Barrage Project of Bangladesh.

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PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Report and Accounts (1995-96) of the Birds Jute and Exports Limited, Calcutta and Related Papers

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI R. L. JALAPPA): Madam, I lay on the Table—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section (1) of ection 619A of the Companies Act, 1956 :—

(i) Annual Report and Accounts of the Birds Jute and Exports Limited, Calcutta, for the year 1995-96; together with the Auditors' Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.

(ii) Review by Government on the working of the above Company.

II. Statement (in English and Hindi) giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (I) above. [Placed in Library. (*See* No. LT—2351/97 for I and II].

Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Ministry of Defence, Department of Defence Production and Supplies) and Bharat Electronics Limited

रक्षा मंत्री (श्री मुलायम सिंह यादव) महोदया मैं 1997–98 के वर्ष के लिए भारत सरकार (रक्षा मंत्रालय, रक्षा उत्पादन और पूर्ति विभाग) और भारत इलेक्ट्रानिक्स लिमिटेड के बीच संपन्न सहमति ज्ञापन की एक प्रति (अंग्रेजी तथा हिन्दी में) सभा पटल पर रखता हूं। [पुस्तकालय में रखी गई देखिए संख्या एल.टी. –2320/97]

Report of the Law Commission of India on Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic substances Act, 1985

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP): I lay on the Table, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the One hundred fifty-fifth Report of the Law Commission of India on Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, Act, 1985 (Act No. 61 of 1985). [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-2336/97]